

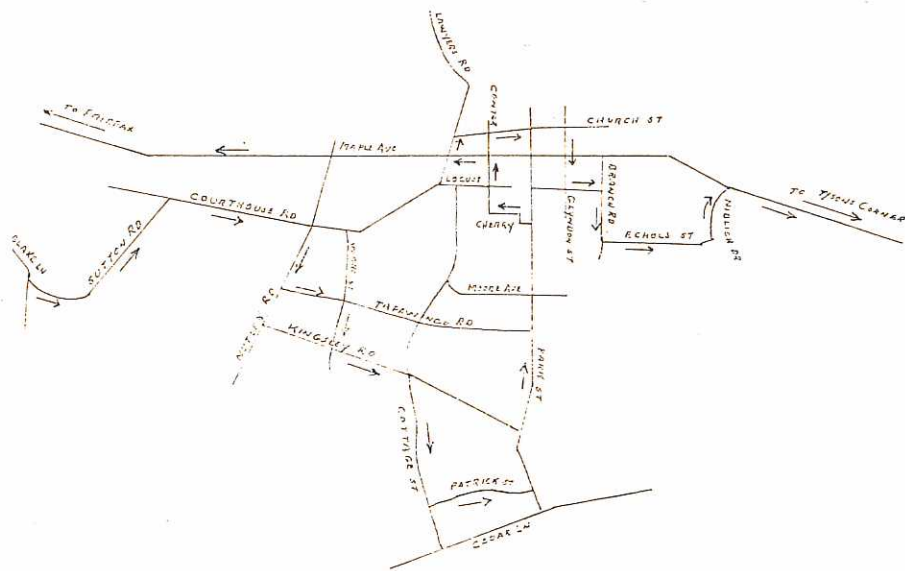
# Town Proposes Jitney Route

The Town Planning Office has developed a route for the Vienna jitney bus system which, if approved by Fairfax County's Office of Transportation, will help to maximize ridership by expanding the system a bit beyond the southern loop.

A loop to service the north half of the town was eliminated last fall due to financial restrictions. The route proposed by the town would allow the jitney to carry passengers across Maple Avenue to the Post Office and through the commercial area on Church Street. The map below traces the entire proposed route.

The jitney system is expected to be in service early next year. Small jitney buses will carry passengers through residential neighborhoods and up and down Maple Avenue to Oakton and Tysons Corner, helping citizens conserve gasoline and providing local transportation for those who lack access to an automobile.

More information about the jitney bus system will be published in next month's *Newsletter*.



# Garden Mulch at Southside Park

Attention gardeners: free leaf mulch is available at Southside Park off Ware Street. The acid contained in leaf mulch is good for plants such as rhododendrons and azaleas. Spread some on your garden this winter for beautiful flowers next spring. The Department of Parks and Recreation can assist you in picking up mulch and provide some gardening tips. Call 938-8000, ext. 277.



Do your Christmas shopping at home.  
Support our Vienna merchants.  
Sales-related taxes help defray  
the cost of local government  
in Vienna.

# December Calendar



- 2 - - Town Christmas program at the Community Center, 4 p.m. First Sunday of Advent.
- 3 - - Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. (Call the Vienna Newsline, 938-4499, the weekend before the meeting for an update on agenda items.)
- 4 - - Historic Windover Board of Review meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 5 - - Newspaper Pickup Day.
- 8 - - 1980-81 pre-budget public hearing, 10 a.m. at Town Hall.
- 11 - - Mayor's Advisory Committee meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 12 - - Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 14 - - Teen concert at the Community Center featuring local band Toys, 8-11 p.m. Admission \$1.25.
- 17 - - Town Council meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 19 - - Board of Zoning Appeals meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall. Newspaper Pickup Day.
- 20 - - Architectural Review Board meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.
- 24 - - Christmas Eve. Town Hall closes at noon. Trash will be picked up as usual.
- 25 - - Christmas Day. Town Hall closed. No trash pickup.
- 26 - - Planning Commission meeting, 8 p.m. at Town Hall.

## Business Beautification . . . . (continued from front page)

resolution:

\* The Planning Commission was requested to review ordinances enacted by Falls Church and other jurisdictions designed to strengthen landscaping and site plan review processes, and recommend to Council whether Vienna should adopt similar ordinances.

\* Council will consider increasing funds for town maintenance (clipping and trimming) of sidewalks and curb strips to improve their appearance and facilitate pedestrian movement.

\* The town will make an inventory of streets in the business district to eliminate duplicative, obsolete and unnecessary "clutter."

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## Council Endorses Competition For 'Best Looking Businesses'

The Town Council has approved an incentive program to encourage litter control and beautification in Vienna's commercial areas. In a resolution adopted November 19, Council endorsed the efforts of the Vienna Business Beautification Committee and expressed support for the committee's plan to conduct a quarterly "best-looking business" competition beginning in the spring.

The Beautification Committee consists of one Council member, four representatives of the Vienna Chamber of Commerce, the Town Manager and Town Planner. The committee has established four categories for competition: retail stores, office buildings, food services and service stations. Businesses in these categories will be rated in the areas of litter control, grass and weed trimming, painting and repairs, and landscaping. Each quarter, the winners will receive a pennant for display and publicity in the town *Newsletter* and other local news media.

Three other items relating to beautification were also addressed in the (continued on address panel)

## Town Christmas Program Dec. 2

The 13th annual town Christmas program will be held at the Community Center on Sunday, December 2, at 4 p.m. The Reverend H.H. Sembower will deliver the Christmas message, and Mayor Charles A. Robinson, Jr., and Town Councilman Douglas A. Brook will share their thoughts about this holiday season.

Musical entertainment will be provided by the Wolftrap Elementary School Chorus directed by Mary Fuson, the Vienna-Falls Sweet Adelines, the Vienna Community Band directed by Geoffrey Seffens and the Stars of Bethlehem directed by Ethel Jackson.

Mary Tee Butler's pre-school classes will enact the nativity scene, and Santa Claus will arrive with candy and Christmas cheer for everyone.

## Pre-budget Public Hearing

A pre-budget public hearing will be held on Saturday, December 8, at 10 a.m. in the Council Chamber at Town Hall. Interested citizens are invited to attend this hearing and comment on possible uses of town funds (including general revenue sharing entitlements) for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1980. Written comments may be addressed to the Town Manager at Town Hall, 127 Center St., S.

The Vienna Town Council and the town staff wish you a happy holiday season. Town Hall will be closed Monday afternoon December 24 and on Christmas Day. There will be no trash pickup on December 25.

## Live Nativity at Freeman House

A "live nativity" will be presented by Vienna area churches December 18, 19 and 20 from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. on the lawn of the Freeman House at the corner of Church and Mill Streets.

Members of Wesley United Methodist Church will make up the tableau depicting the manger scene at the birth of Christ. Christmas music will be presented by an "ecumenical choir" representing a number of churches, including Antioch Christian Church, Emmanuel Lutheran Church, Epiphany United Methodist Church, Faith Baptist Church, First Baptist Church, Holy Comforter Episcopal Church, Oakton Church of the Brethren, Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church, St. Mark's Catholic Church, Union Baptist Church, Vienna Assembly of God, Vienna Baptist Church, Vienna Presbyterian Church and Vienna Seventh Day Adventist Church.

## Don't Let Fire Spoil the Holidays

The holiday season brings with it fire hazards for the home and the community. Your Vienna Volunteer Fire Department has a few common sense tips that you can follow at home to help ensure that your holiday season is a safe one.

\* Do not use flammable holiday decorations near candles. Wreaths and natural greenery dry out inside the house and become highly flammable.

\* Place your Christmas tree in a container that holds water to keep it from drying out.

\* Examine electric Christmas tree lights carefully for broken and frayed wires and possible shorts before using them.

\* Do not burn gift wrapping paper in the fireplace. It creates intense heat that could cause a chimney fire.

Speaking of fireplaces, have you had your chimney cleaned lately? Over time, soot and creosote build up on the inside of the chimney as a result of incomplete combustion of wood (particularly green wood), and when the build-up gets heavy, a hot fire will ignite the inside of the chimney. Chimney fires can lead to major structural fires. What can you do?

\* Have your chimney cleaned if it has not been in a long time.

\* Use only well seasoned wood in your fireplace.

\* Never burn paper, trash, old Christmas trees, or gift wrappings in your fireplace.

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EMERGENCY CALLS - COMPANY 2 - OCTOBER 1979

Fire - 93

Medic Unit - 107

Ambulance - 91

Total - 291

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## Christmas Greens Exhibition

Vienna's Ayr Hill and Five Hills Garden Clubs will be participating in the National Capital Area Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc., Christmas greens exhibition. This is the show's twenty-fifth year, and the theme is "Christmas Remembered - - Our 25th Christmas Dream."

The show will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. December 4 through 9 at the U.S. Botanic Garden Conservatory, Maryland Avenue and First Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. "How to" holiday demonstrations with evergreens and dried materials will be given at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. - - boxwood wreaths December 4, Christmas treasures December 5, cone crafting December 6 and fresh Williamsburg arrangements December 7.

The church in the Great Hall will feature a steeple and stained glass windows by Ayr Hill Garden Club. Five Hills Garden Club will decorate a large silver anniversary tree.

## Service Clubs to Sell Trees

The Vienna (Host) Lions will begin selling Christmas trees December 8 on the Southern States lot at Maple Avenue and Park Street. Norway spruce, blue spruce and Scotch pines will be sold for \$14 each for any size tree, with trees running up to 15 feet tall. All funds raised go toward work with the blind and various community projects. Used eyeglasses and hearing aids may be turned in at the Christmas tree stand. The Lions reuse or rebuild these items for the visually handicapped and hearing impaired.

The Vienna (Host) Lions have been involved in community projects since 1942, including the development of Glyndon Park, starting and running Little League baseball in the early years, raising money to start the Community Center and building or purchasing items to help beautify Vienna.

Christmas trees will arrive December 7 at the Vienna Optimist Club's stand on the Giant parking lot and will be sold each day until all trees are sold. Proceeds go to support Vienna youth programs and other community projects.

The Vienna Optimist Club was chartered 25 years ago and has made many contributions to community improvement, especially youth-oriented activities. The Optimists support scout troops, Little League and Babe Ruth baseball and foreign exchange students. They also award scholarships and make donations to worthwhile projects such as the purchase of exercise equipment for James Madison High School.

## Tiny Tot Concerts at Madison HS

The third annual Christmas Tiny Tot concerts presented by the James Madison Symphonic Band will be held December 14 and 17. Seats remain for the December 17 performance. For information and reservations, call Mrs. Reid at 281-5964.

The James Madison Band of Renown will sell pink grapefruit, direct from Texas, on Saturday, December 1, for \$7.50 per case. For more information, call Mr. Kane at 938-2172 or Mr. Swift at 281-3585.

## Vienna Junior Academy Has Fruit, Poinsettias for Christmas

Fresh naval oranges and pink grapefruit from Florida will be available from Vienna Junior Academy in December. Orders placed on or before December 10 may be picked up December 17. To place an order, call 938-6200. Vienna Junior Academy also sells poinsettias during the month of December.

## Council Action

### Results of Town Council's October 1, 1979, Meeting

\* Referred to the Transportation Safety Commission for study and recommendation a request for a stop sign at Kingsley Road and DeSale Street and a letter from a concerned citizen regarding the traffic hazards at the Lawyers Road and Church Street intersection.

\* Donated \$2,000 to the Vienna Men's Softball League.

\* Approved the resubdivision of Lot 1-B, Katriva Hines Echols Subdivision, subject to correction of the plat. Waived the requirement for curb, gutter and sidewalk for the newly created lot but required that an amount sufficient to insure the installation at some later date if necessary be placed in escrow.

\* Adopted an ordinance providing a legal basis for town police to enforce restrictions against non-handicapped persons parking in special parking

spaces for the handicapped on privately owned parking lots.

\* Directed that the list of delinquent 1979 town real estate taxes be recorded with the County Clerk as liens against the properties.

\* Appointed Mr. Stuart Liss as the architect member of the Architectural Review Board for a one-year term.

### Results of Town Council's October 15, 1979, Meeting

\* Approved requests for the installation of street lights at Vienna Commons and at 213 Nutley St., N.W. The Director of Public Works will coordinate the exact siting of the lights with the residents concerned. These will be mercury vapor lights.

\* Authorized the Director of Public Works to proceed with the installation of the driveway entrance to the Vienna Presbyterian Church on Park Street in accordance with an agreement between the church and the town.

\* Approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the town and Fairfax County, as amended, regarding the exchange of easement rights for treatment of sludge generated at the Blue Plains plant by the town.

\* Requested the Town Attorney to draft an ordinance amending the zoning code to permit property zoned RTH to be rezoned Transitional. A public hearing will be held on the matter on December 10.

\* Denied the request by the Northern Virginia Regional Park Authority for the town to install a pedestrian-activated traffic signal at the W&OD Trail crossing of Maple Avenue. Designated Park Street as the pedestrian crossing and directed that "No Right Turn on Red" signs be posted at that intersection. Requested the Transportation Safety Commission to study the question of right turn on red as it relates to pedestrian safety on Maple Avenue.

\* Authorized the Mayor to write a letter communicating to Fairfax County the town's support for any efforts it may undertake to secure the lowest density zoning on Application 79-C-087 and urging the Board of Supervisors to appeal any adverse judgment of the court in this case.

\* Voted to express to the Board of Supervisors no opposition to Application 77-C-060 subject to the owner applicant's proffer of the development conditions of the staff report.

\* Voted to petition the Board of Supervisors to deny Application 78-P-074 requesting C-3 and to hold the line at C-2 in accordance with the county comprehensive plan.

\* Directed that "No Parking" signs be posted on the north side of Locust street between Branch Road and Charles Street, S.E.

\* Adopted a Resolution of Appreciation to Richard L. DeCair, who recently resigned as Executive Director of the Virginia Municipal League.



**Talk to Santa on the Newslines**  
**December 14 - Christmas Day**  
**938-4499**